



# on Dino Island

A band of dinosaurs lives on a mysterious lost island. They have survived for millions of years without being discovered - until now. While chasing Sam Sinister's plane, Johnny Thunder crashed landed his Island Hopper on Dino Island.

The Adventurers just want to study these amazing animals at their research compound. But Sam Sinister wants to capture the creatures and create his own dino theme park!



#### Johnny Thunder

Johnny has battled the sinister forces of Sam Sinister all over the world. They raced to dig the mummy's treasure in the desert and to find lost gold in the jungle. Saving dinosaurs from Sam Sinister may be his toughest adventure yet!



#### Dr. Charles Lightning

Dr. Lightning is Johnny's uncle, and taught Johnny everything he knows. But sometimes he forgets that the dinosaurs are real and not stuffed. One time, he almost got stomped on.



#### Sam Sinister (aka Baron von Barron)

Sam's hobby is stealing rare treasures for his own collection. The only person that has ever stopped him is Johnny Thunder. Sam says that if Johnny gets in his way he will use him as bait in a T-Rex trap.



#### Mike

Johnny Thunder rescued Mike on one of his adventures. Mike never had a dog or a cat, so he wants to keep a baby T-Rex as a pet.



#### Gail Storm

Gail records all of the Adventurers' adventures and has tangled with Alexia Sinister before.



#### Alexia Sinister

Sam finds the treasure to steal, but it is his sister Alexia who comes up with the plans. Alexia keeps trying to get Johnny Thunder to work for the bad guys.

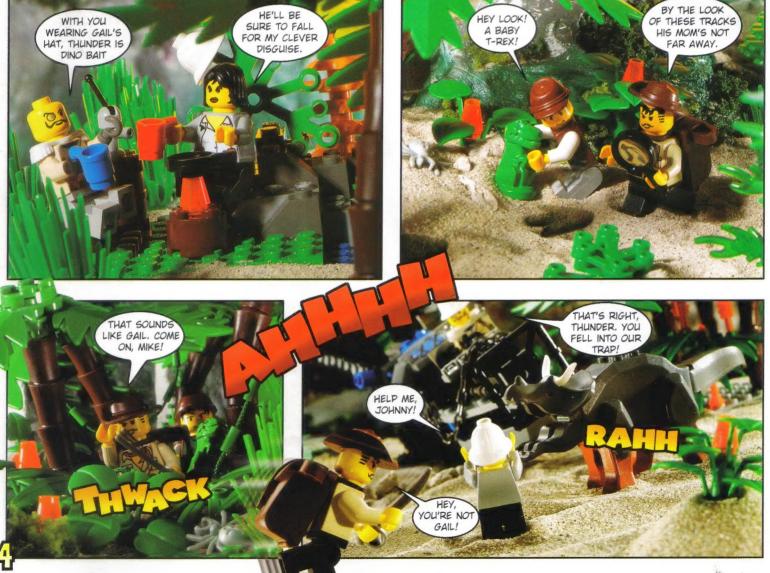


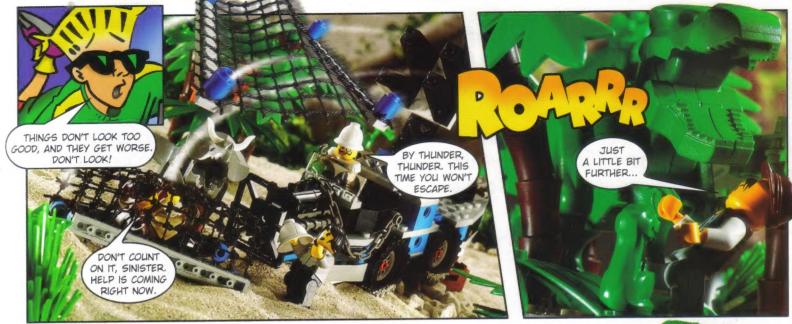
#### Mr. Cunningham

Mr. Cunningham is very sneaky. He changes his disguise almost every week. Mr. C is Sam Sinister's toughest tough guy. He's so tough, he wants to wrestle a T-Rex.





















# Back in the day...

Dinosaurs were the biggest creatures to roam the earth for over 165 million years. Join Johnny Thunder and the Adventurers for a tour through prehistoric time!



#### Steady Stegosaurus

A Stegosaurus was slow. Its brain was the size of a golf ball weighing only 2 ounces. The average human brain weighs about 3 pounds.



Factoid: Scientists think the rows of plates along a Stegosaurus's neck and back acted like solar panels that warmed the dinosaur's blood.

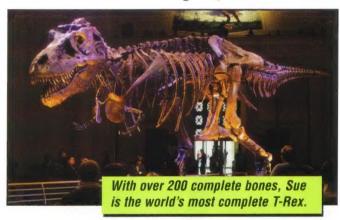
This dinosaur's legs were built to support its 2-ton body, not for running. But that didn't mean it was an easy dinner for a predator. One swipe of its spiked tail could send a T-Rex limping away with a sore leg.



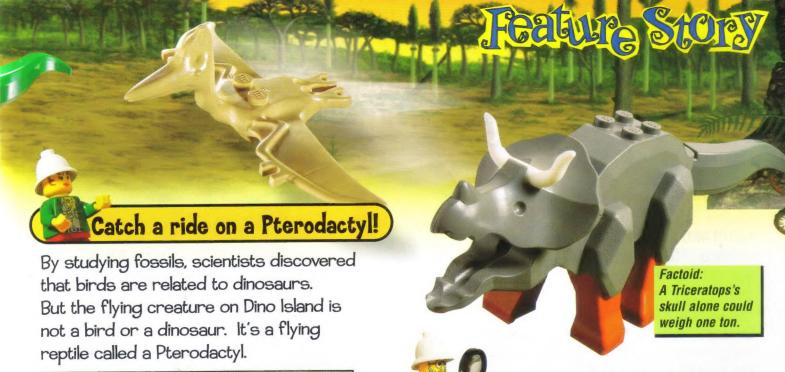


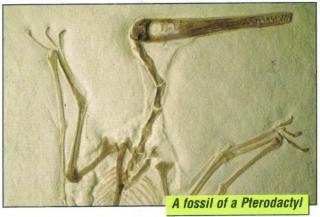
#### Don't mess with a T-Rex!

The fiercest dinosaur on Dino Island is the Tyrannosaurus Rex. The largest and most complete T-Rex skeleton was found in the Badlands area of South Dakota by fossil hunter Sue Hendrickson in 1990. The skeleton, also called Sue, measures 42 feet long and stands 13 feet tall at the hips. Sue's jaws operate like a nutcracker filled with foot-long teeth. A T-Rex had excellent sight and hearing, but its best sense was smell. It could smell dinner a long way off.



T-Rex may have ruled North America, but it is no longer the world's biggest and baddest dinosaur. Recently, scientists discovered a meat-eater in Argentina called Gigantosaurus. It weighed 3 tons more than T-Rex and had thin, flat teeth. In central Africa, Suchomimus Tenerensis was found in 1998. It was as large as a T-Rex, and had a pointy crocodile-like jaw filled with 100 teeth. It also had 16-inch, razor-sharp claws.





The Pterodactyl's wings were like leather, and when flapping, were 25 feet across. When it wasn't building a nest on a rock ledge, it would fly down to the water and scoop fish out with its big beak.

#### Watch out for spikey Triceratops!

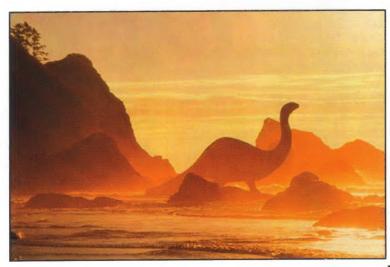
The Triceratops was a fierce looking dinosaur. The three sharp horns on its head could be as long as 4 feet!

Triceratops weighed about 7 tons, was as tall as an elephant and was 25 feet long. Its head alone was 7 feet long, one-fourth of its total length. Triceratops ate plants and used its beak-like mouth to snap off tree branches.

Scientists like Dr. Lightning are finding out more about dinosaurs all the time. In the past 30 years, the number of dino species has doubled. Dinosaur fossils can be found all over the world, even in Antarctica. One of the best places to find fossils is the western United States. That's where T-Rex, stegosaurus, triceratops, and many other dinosaur fossils have been discovered.

Amazing Discoveries!

### Just think of how many more dinosaurs will be discovered by future scientists!





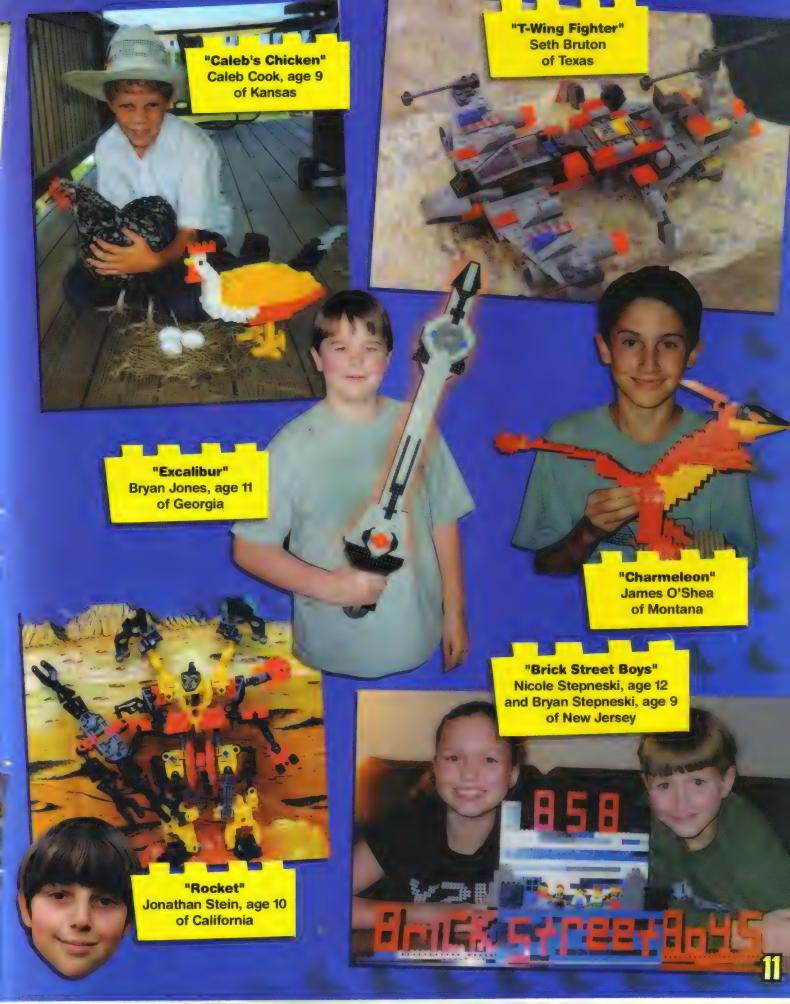
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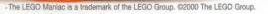




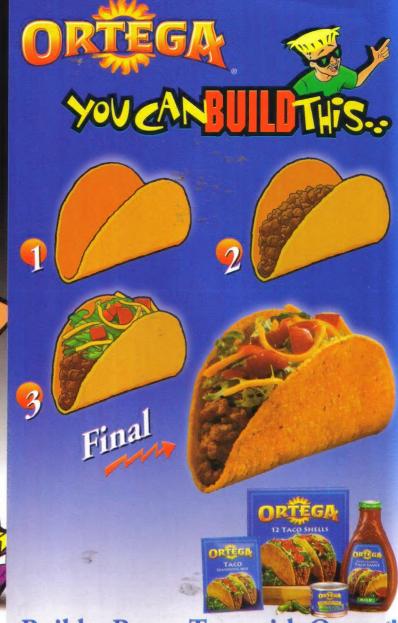
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Entries must be postmarked by November 17, 2000 and received by November 22, 2000. Winners will be notified by mail by December 28, 2000. Offer void where prohibited or restricted by law. Employees of The LEGO Group and their immediate families are not eligible to participate. Entries will be judged by LEGO Systems, Inc. on the basis of accuracy.

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